

Major General Crook says: "It is my firm conviction that the Indian should have the full rights of the American citizen, including the ballot. I know that I may be considered hasty, but I say: 'Give them the ballot now.'"

The retired list of our navy is swelling. There are fifty Rear Admirals, fifteen Commodores, fourteen Captains, twelve Commanders, twenty Lieutenants, forty-six Surgeons, twenty Paymasters, and seventy-two Engineers.

There is a good deal of abuse heaped upon Americans for sins of omission and commission performed while traveling in Europe, but it is to be set down to their credit that the American travelers are said to have been the coolest and most self-possessed class during the recent earthquakes. Their superiority to fear was marked and commented on all sides.

It is impossible not to admire the pluck of the Mayor of Nice, France, who undertook to restore the confidence of the frightened people by giving his official assurance immediately after the recent earthquake that the worst was over, and that they had nothing more to fear. A Mayor who can guarantee a city against an earthquake shock is a Mayor worth having.

The managers of the International Jubilee of railways at Paris are actively engaged in preparing for the opening. The various modes and methods of railroad operation in different countries will be illustrated, and a belt line constructed, on which English, Austrian and Russian trains will pass up and down steep gradients, switch from track to track and run through tunnels.

Now a scientific person has explained why Hanlan is the great rower that he is. Dr. Sargent, of the Harvard gymnasium, has examined him, and says that he has "a great head and an excellent body all the way down to the legs." Judged by a standard of perfection the oarsman's legs and arms are too short. Dr. Sargent says that this defect has made Hanlan the oarsman he is, and that the power from the shoulders, back and loins, together with the immense leverage given by the short legs and arms, is what has made him almost the perfection in build for a sculler.

The people of Dodge City, Kansas, are now marveling over the discovery of a large bone, which has recently been brought into that city from a point about sixty-five miles southwest, near the Cimarron river. This mammoth fossil was unearthed by some workmen while digging a well at the depth of about forty-five feet, and below a stratum of sandstone. The length of this colossal femur is about 6 feet 1-2 inches; weight, 96 pounds; circumference of shaft, 20 inches; head of bone, (femur), 24 inches in circumference; lower end or knee, 89 inches in circumference. Further excavations will be made at an early date with the hope of discovering the entire skeleton.

Do you know that people like to be humbugged? asked a physician of a Philadelphia *Call* reporter. "It's a fact, and a large percentage of the practice of the most successful doctors is pure humbuggery. A great many people are filled with imaginary aches and pains. They've had them for years in their imagination, and have grown to regard them with a tenacious affection. When they consult a physician about them they do not like to have the matter pooh-poohed. They do not wish to be told there is nothing the matter with them. They want to be told they are sick; to be sympathized with, and to be prescribed for. They then pay the fee willingly. Some of the best and most persistent patients I have are as sound as a dollar. I listen to their recital of their symptoms right along, prescribe some harmless as well as useless dose and charge it in my little bill. It is to this little diplomacy of mine that I attribute much of my success."

The Department of Agriculture reports an increase in the total number of horses, mules, cows and oxen owned in this country as compared with last year. The greatest increase, says *Bradstreet*, is shown in oxen, while mules show a slight excess over last year. In the case of sheep and hogs considerable decreases are shown. The following table shows the total number at this time and at a corresponding period last year:

Stock.	1886.	1887.
Horses.....	12,077,657	12,496,743
Mules.....	2,062,593	1,117,141
Milk cows.....	14,335,988	14,552,693
Oxen and other cattle.....	31,375,242	33,511,750
Sheep.....	48,322,331	44,739,314
Pigs.....	46,092,043	44,612,836

As to values, the decline has not been very large, being greatest in the case of cattle, which show the largest increase in number. Horses, sheep and hogs have increased in value, while mules have slightly decreased. The total values of the various classes of animals are shown in the following:

Stock.	1886.	1887.
Horses.....	\$80,823,206	\$90,685,755
Mules.....	163,381,076	167,067,588
Milk cows.....	880,985,523	878,789,689
Oxen and other cattle.....	661,936,274	663,187,926
Sheep.....	92,443,567	89,872,829
Pigs.....	197,509,894	200,043,291

Totals.....\$2,365,150,802 \$2,400,586,998

The total value of all the farm animals of the country is placed at \$2,400,586,998, an increase of \$35,437,076 over this time last year. The greater share of the increase is due to the increased number and value of horses. The decline in the value of cows has been charged chiefly to the low price of butter.

THE CZAR'S DANGER.

An Attempt to Assassinate the Emperor of Russia.

Men With Bombs Lying in Wait For the Imperial Carriage.

Reports from St. Petersburg regarding the discovery of a great plot against the Czar caused much excitement at Berlin. There is a disposition in German circles to regard the whole plot as an attempt to force the Czar to make war instead of peaceably dividing Bulgaria with Austria. The Berlin *Post*, a semi-official organ, expresses this feeling as follows: "With alarm and grief we say it: Europe must guard itself against the policy of despair which may show itself in fatalistic quiet or convulsive hostility. The last is the more probable. It is this which here, that the plot against Russia's hitherto unexplained delay in carrying out the Bulgarian partition agreement with Austria."

The latest authentic intelligence from St. Petersburg as to the attempt on the Czar shows that the bomb, which was to have been thrown under the imperial carriage, was concealed in a case shape like a book of quarto size. The young man who carried it was a student. A string was hanging from the case, and it was by means of this that the bomb was to have been fired.

As the carriage was about to start, the student noticed that the latter's book seemed very heavy and that he repeatedly shifted it from arm to arm. This made him suspicious.

Mr. Mordukhai, a bystander, saw the young man. Hardly had he done so when he saw the young man stoop, deposit his book on the pavement and fumble at the string.

Luckily the string slipped from the would-be bomber's hand and the man who had been observing him, caught him by the collar and shoved him back violently into the crowd. It was seen then that another youth, who had been standing beside the one with the book, was making rough efforts to force his way through the crowd. He was then seized and arrested by the first man. This second youth had a traveling bag slung about him. He was seized, too, and his bag was afterward found to contain a bomb.

It is said the Czar heard nothing of the whole matter until he reached Gatchina, to which place he has gone with the Empress and the Grand Duke, and where he is now informed of the danger which not only himself but the Empress and their son had so narrowly escaped.

The attempt to assassinate the Czar was made on the morning of the day on which his father, the late Czar, was killed by bomb-throwers.

The Rhode Island Republican State Convention, held in Providence, renominated Governor Wetmore and all the present incumbents of office by acclamation.

LYMAN S. WEEKS, a resident of Brooklyn, had retired the other night when his wife heard a noise in the basement. She awoke her husband, who proceeded down stairs, and was shot dead by a burglar. The assassin left no clue to his identity.

TWENTY-TWO men have been arrested near Oazk, Mo., for participating in the massacre of two men named Ed and Green.

The Virginia Legislature met in special session at Richmond, and Governor Lee's message dwelt specially on the debt question.

KING BAN, a noted sire of running horses, died at Lexington, Ky. He was valued at \$35,000.

A DISASTROUS explosion of dynamite has occurred in a stone quarry at Lobositz, Bohemia. All the men at work in the quarry at the time were blown to atoms.

M. AUERBACH, conductor of the orchestra at the Grand Theatre, Toulon, France, shot dead an actress named Levy, and then threw himself beneath a railroad train, where he was crushed to death.

GLADSTONE is preparing to make a vigorous fight in Parliament against the British Government's coercive measures toward Ireland.

NEW YORK business circles have been considerably stirred up by news of the failure of Leighton Brothers, extensive dealers in fertilizers, coupled with the sudden flight of Walter E. Lawton, of the "firm," with about \$200,000 in cash, which he is charged with obtaining fraudulently. A number of banks and corporations have been victimized by Lawton. The total liabilities are placed at over \$1,000,000.

FOUR men were badly burned by a gas explosion in a colliery at Wilkesbarre, Penn. Two of the four were probably fatally injured.

THERE was the usual large procession of Irish societies in New York on St. Patrick's day, and a banquet by the Sons of St. Patrick in the evening.

A BAND of Kentucky Vigilantes were whipping an old woman in Rock Castle county for selling her without a license, when they were fired upon in the darkness, and three of their number killed.

TWENTY-THREE persons received more or less serious injuries by the breaking of the platform leading to a Catholic Church entrance in Chicago.

Two children were killed, a woman was fatally injured, several persons were hurt and a number of houses destroyed by a tornado at Tampa, Fla.

EIGHT men Cardinals of the Roman Catholic Church, including Cardinals Gibbons and Tascheran of America, received their hats from the Pope at a public Consistory in Rome.

A COMPLETE snow blockade prevails on the Canadian Pacific in the Rocky Mountains, and there will be no trains for a fortnight.

KIDNAPPING is being carried on by wholesale in a portion of Cuba. One man had to pay a ransom of \$1,000 before he was released.

MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC.

THE New York Academy of Music has been sold at auction for \$300,000.

MCKEE RANKIN has struck out with a new play called "The Golden Giant."

THE King of Portugal, is an indefatigable and admirable player of the violoncello.

FOURTEEN of the late Fals Prophets (El Mahdi's) musicians are giving concerts in Madrid.

GAYARRIE, the Spanish tenor, has received \$70,000 for the fifty nights of the opera season just closed.

JOHN GILBERT, the New York actor, is seventy-seven years of age, and has been on the stage fifty-nine years.

In Brooklyn male voice choirs are rapidly taking the place of mixed choirs. Already there are over thirty in the city.

MRS. LANGTRY's establishment consists of her New York house, twenty-two servants, eight carriages, and twelve horses.

MRS. NOAH, an once famous actress, is still living in Rochester, N. Y., in her eighty-third year, and has promised to play Lady Macbeth at a benefit in June.

WILLIAM H. DAVIES, playing at the Madison Square Theatre in New York, has just entered on the fifty-first year of his stage life. He is now seventy-five.

MISS ANNA DICKINSON is slowly recovering her health. According to a correspondent she has entreaties for plays from two well-known actors for a novel from a New York publisher and for several magazine articles.

SOME of the salaries of the American Opera Company, says the Boston *Traveler*, are as follows: Theodore Thomas, \$1,000 per week; Manager Locke, \$800 per week; M. W. Whitely, \$600 per week; and Candilis, \$500 per month.

MR. IRVING will not confine himself to "Faust" during his coming American tour. His repertoire consists of "Jack and the Beanstalk," "The Merchant of Venice," "Jingling," "Olivia," "Louis XI," and "The Bells." He has decided not to play "Hamlet."

NEWS SUMMARY

Eastern and Middle States.

FRANK M. SCOTT, of Newark, N. J., head bookkeeper for a New York publishing house, has been arrested on charge of falsifying his accounts and misappropriating over \$30,000.

THE American yacht Dauntless and Coronet started on the 12th from New York for Cuba, Ireland, and other ports across the Atlantic. The race is for \$30,000.

A MOVEMENT has been started in Brooklyn to raise money for the erection of a monument to the late Henry Ward Beecher. A national service in Plymouth Church on Sunday ministers of various denominations officiated.

A boom in the leading industries of New England is reported.

THREE persons were burned to death and four injured at a hotel fire in Camden, N. J. While an auction of household goods was in progress in a stable at Bridgewater, Mass., the floor gave way, precipitating nearly 100 people into the cellar. Many men and women were injured in various degrees of severity.

As express train ran into a Philadelphia street car, seriously, if not fatally, injuring Mr. and Mrs. Peaster and their four-year-old boy. The child had both feet cut off.

BENJAMIN LEVENTHAL, nineteen years old, shot and killed his father, a New York peddler, who had been fatally injured by a family quarrel and had committed suicide. A peddler quarrel was the cause.

JAMES BARRETT ejected two Italians (brothers) from his house near Scranton, Penn., for insulting a girl. One of them resisted expulsion with a knife, when he shot and killed both.

HON. DANIEL MANNING, Secretary of the Treasury, and ex-Treasurer Conrad N. Jordan have sailed from New York for Europe. Mr. Manning's resignation as Secretary is dated April 1.

REVISED estimates of the killed and wounded by the accident on the Boston and Providence Railroad are: Killed outright or since died, 28; severely injured, 35; total, wounded, over 100. Several persons in the excitement after the disaster did not realize that they had been injured, but on reaching home found that they had broken bones.

One at Buffalo, N. Y., destroyed the building occupied by a large wholesale grocery firm and Masonic lodges. Total estimated losses, \$300,000.

South and West.

WILLIAM JACKSON was sentenced at Falmouth, Me., to the State Prison, for twenty years, for the murder of a woman. He had a crowd of masked men broke into Falmouth jail, took out Jackson and hanged him to a tree.

PASSENGER train jumped the track near Gratot, Ill., and thirty persons, including State Senator Southworth, were more or less hurt.

HENRY ARTIS, (colored) was hung at Goldsboro, N. C., for the murder of his step-daughter.

AN insane young man named Leshaw stopping with his family near Little Rock, Ark., mortally wounded his father and mother, and injured his three brothers and sister during an attack of his disease. The family were on their way to Texas.

A FIRE at Lumberton, N. C., destroyed seventy-five buildings, comprising the business part of the town. A great many families were rendered homeless.

SEWARD MOTT, Second Lieutenant of the Tenth United States Cavalry, was murdered by a young Apache chief at the San Carlos reservation, Arizona.

THIRTY-ONE men were placed on trial at the Old Bailey, London, for the murder of a woman named Culbreath in September, 1885. Senator Butler appeared for accused.

THE President has appointed Charlton H. Way, of Georgia, to be Consul General at St. Petersburg.

THIRTY-three bills and four joint resolutions were sent to the President during the last ten days of Congress failed to become laws. They died of the "pocket veto."

OF the whole number, thirty bills and three joint resolutions originated in the House, and three bills and one joint resolution in the Senate.

AMONG the five Inter-State Commerce Commissioners to be appointed by the President are the names of Colonel Morrison, of Illinois, and ex-Senator Kernan, of New York, and ex-Prominent member.

THE Department of Superintendent of the National Education Association has been in the city of New York, where he will visit education Dawson and others made addresses.

FOREIGN.

EARTHQUAKE shocks have been felt again at the scenes of the recent upheaval in Italy and France.

Ten Spaniards, or German Army bill, on its final passage in the Reichstag received 247 votes to 31 in opposition. Eighty-four members abstained from voting.

FOURTEEN non-commissioned officers who participated in the shooting of a prisoner of war have been shot. All the privates engaged in the revolt have been pardoned.

A SHARP shock of earthquake at Marseilles, France, created a panic, and emptied the hotels in a few moments. Many walls of buildings in the city were cracked, and a number of persons were killed.

Mrs. BENNY was hanged at Liverpool on Monday for poisoning her eleven-year-old daughter, the object being to obtain £10 insurance money. She was also charged with poisoning her own mother, who died of the same disease.

M. DE LESSEPS, the Panama Canal projector, has been received with much honor at Berlin, and declared that all danger of a war between Germany and France has passed.

THE Pope has just created six new Cardinals and fourteen Bishops.

SEVERAL MOORS have been stripped and flogged through the streets of Tangier, Morocco, by the Sultan's order. The sale of all kinds of intoxicants has also been prohibited.

THE Tung Lung Chinese Bank, of Hong Kong, has failed. Native creditors stormed the institution, and carried away or destroyed everything in the building.

THE Duchess of Otranto committed suicide in Paris by blowing her brains out with a revolver. She was overwrought with grief at the recent death of her husband.

AGAIN SHAKEN.

Charleston, S. C., Disturbed by a Violent Shock of Earthquake.

St. Patrick's Day in Charleston was the bleakest and coldest ever known there. It was, moreover, ushered in at 9:10 A. M. by a peculiar and violent shock of earthquake. The city had been so long free from shakes that this one was somewhat demoralizing. The shock was not a wave—came from the southeast. It was preceded and followed by the usual subterranean roar, very loud and dreadful. Then came a violent jerk, the buildings appearing to have been thrust forward and pulled back, after which there was a slight tremor as the roar died out. Most of the buildings in Charleston have been rendered earthquake-proof by iron bolts and plates; otherwise there would have been serious damage. The cracks in the buildings are not yet repaired, and plastering thrown down in a number of places.

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RIOT AT A BULL FIGHT.

Violence at a Matador's Debut in the City of Mexico.

A Mob, Disappointed in Its Cruel Sport, Storms the Arena.

The City of Mexico has been the scene of a terrific riot at the debut of Lazz Mazzantini, a noted Spanish matador imported from Havana at a cost of \$10,000. His first appearance was celebrated as a holiday in the Mexican Capital, and for a hundred miles around. A dispatch gives the following account of the cruel "sport" and the attendant riot, created by disappointed spectators:

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RAILROAD SLAUGHTER.

More Than 100 Persons Killed or Injured Near Boston.

A railroad bridge disaster, even more extensive in its destruction of life and limb than the recent Central Vermont horror, befell a suburban train on the Boston and Providence Railroad Monday morning.

The collapse of an iron bridge beneath a train dashed six cars to pieces on the highway, fifty feet below. Of about two hundred people who went down in the wreck twenty-three were instantly killed, or died soon after, fifteen were reported dying and eighty were severely hurt. The prompt summons of a Fire Department detail prevented the additional horror of fire, and the victims suffered death or injury only by mutilation.

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HERE AND THERE.

Events of Importance from Various Quarters of the World.

Two More Railroad Disasters, With Loss of Life.

The other morning a heavy mixed train on the Marietta Mineral Railway was divided in order to cross more safely a trestle nearly two miles long, twelve miles from Parkersburg, W. Va. The first section passed over all right, and the engine, bearing Albert Busley, brakeman Stewart, Conductor Jack McCoy, and a passenger named Early, returned for section two. When at the highest point the engine gave a sudden jerk, and plunged straight down to the abyss below, carrying all on board with it. Vincent and Busley were killed. Busley's